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Designed for professionals in the field of mental illness and staff involved in providing on-the-job support for persons with mental illness, this book provides an overview of employment issues relevant to such workers. The 23 chapters of the book are organized in 5 sections. The first two sections provide background information about the clients served and the systems that serve them. The third section addresses these topics: client screening and assessment; career development, teaching job seeking skills, job clubs, job development, and choosing and building the right job. The fourth section focuses on issues that arise after employment, including: learning the job; behavior management and self-management; and natural supports, integration, and social skills. The final section addresses long-term issues, such as routine follow-up, troubleshooting and crisis intervention, and dealing with job loss. Case studies and reproducible checklists are used throughout the book. Contains 193 references. (KC)

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